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## **Economic development and public safety top Gilbert's first Senate term**

**LANSING** – Promoting economic development and protecting the public were among the highlights of Sen. Jud Gilbert's first term in the Michigan Senate.

Topping the list of economic development accomplishments:

- Securing a tax abatement allowing Pro Weld to remain in Port Huron and save approximately 100 area jobs.
- Revising state law to allow restaurants to continue to have outdoor dining areas along main streets and state trunklines.

Topping the list of public safety accomplishments:

- Creating a Reverse 911 system allowing emergency service responders to use the telephone to contact residents regarding an imminent danger or crisis that may affect their health, safety or welfare.
- Requiring immediate reporting to the local 911 center in the event that harmful materials are spilled into surface or groundwater.
- Requesting the development of a real-time monitoring system for Lake St. Clair and the St. Clair River.

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